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## **India**

### **Agricultural Situation**

#### **Monsoon Report (No. 8)**

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#### **Report Highlights:**

**The monsoon has weakened in some eastern rice growing areas, but good rains continue to benefit the west.**

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Includes PSD changes: No  
Includes Trade Matrix: No  
Unscheduled Report  
New Delhi [IN1], IN

Only 13 of India's 35 weather subdivisions reported normal/above normal rainfall in the week ending August 22. Monsoonal activity was heaviest in Maharashtra, Gujarat, Rajasthan, coastal Andhra Pradesh, Telangana, Orissa and Karnataka. Deficit rainfall has begun to stress crops in several unirrigated rice growing regions, especially West Bengal, Bihar, East Madhya Pradesh and the Northeast. Meanwhile, the soybean belt of Madhya Pradesh received several inches of rain which should carry the crop through pod formation. The major peanut region of Saurashtra had much needed rains in the week ending August 15, though dry conditions returned to Raylaseema (Andhra Pradesh).

Cumulative rainfall from June 1 to August 22 was normal/above normal in 26 of the 35 weather subdivisions compared with 28 a week ago and 28 a year ago. The all India weighted cumulative precipitation of 656 mm was 1 percent below the long-term average. Major crop growing areas which have received significantly below normal rainfall during the season are North Interior Karnataka, South Interior Karnataka, Raylaseema, Assam & Meghalaya, Arunachal Pradesh, and Sub-Himalayan West Bengal.

The following tables show actual and normal rainfall for the weeks ending August 15 and 22, cumulative rainfall, and the relative share (area) of major monsoon season crops by weather subdivision.



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Normal rains (+19% to -19% of normal)			
Deficient rains (-20% to -59% of normal)			
Little or no rains (<60% of normal)			

WZ#	Name of Weather Zone	Rice	Peanut	Corn	Sorghum	Millet	Cotton
1	Andaman & Nicobar Islands	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	Arunachal Pradesh	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	Assam & Meghalaya	6	0	1	0	0	0
4	Nagaland & Manipur	1	0	1	0	0	0
5	Sub Himalayan West Bengal	3	0	0	0	0	0
6	Gangetic West Bengal	10	0	0	0	0	0
7	Orissa	11	2	3	0	0	0
8	Bihar Plateau	2	0	2	0	0	0
9	Bihar Plain	11	0	10	0	0	0
10	East Uttar Pradesh	9	3	10	5	2	0
11	West Uttar Pradesh	5	2	10	1	5	0
12	Hills of West Uttar Pradesh	0	0	1	0	0	0
13	Haryana, Chandigarh & Delhi	1	0	1	1	7	7
14	Punjab	4	1	4	0	0	9
15	Himachal Pradesh	0	0	5	0	0	0
16	Jammu & Kashmir	1	0	5	0	0	0
17	West Rajasthan	0	0	1	0	19	7
18	East Rajasthan	0	2	14	10	29	0
19	West Madhya Pradesh	2	4	10	17	1	7
20	East Madhya Pradesh	10	0	5	5	0	0
21	Gujarat Region	1	3	6	2	7	13
22	Saurashtra & Kutch	0	29	0	3	6	3
23	Konkan & Goa	1	0	0	0	0	0
24	Madhya Maharashtra	1	7	2	21	16	0
25	Marathwada	0	1	0	8	0	10
26	Vidarbha	2	2	0	3	0	26
27	Coastal Andhra Pradesh	5	2	0	1	1	6
28	Telangana	2	2	5	6	1	2
29	Raylaseema	1	15	0	2	1	2
30	Tamil Nadu	6	13	1	7	2	4
31	Coastal Karnataka	1	0	0	0	0	0
32	North Interior Karnataka	1	8	3	7	4	4
33	South Interior Karnataka	1	3	1	1	0	3
34	Kerala	2	0	0	0	0	0
35	Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	0	0